

## PARADE OF HEROES.

## CIVIL WAR VETERANS TREAD CHICAGO'S STREETS.

Thirty Thousand Old Soldiers in Line and Fully Half a Million Onlookers Crowd Along the Line of March—An Imposing Spectacle.

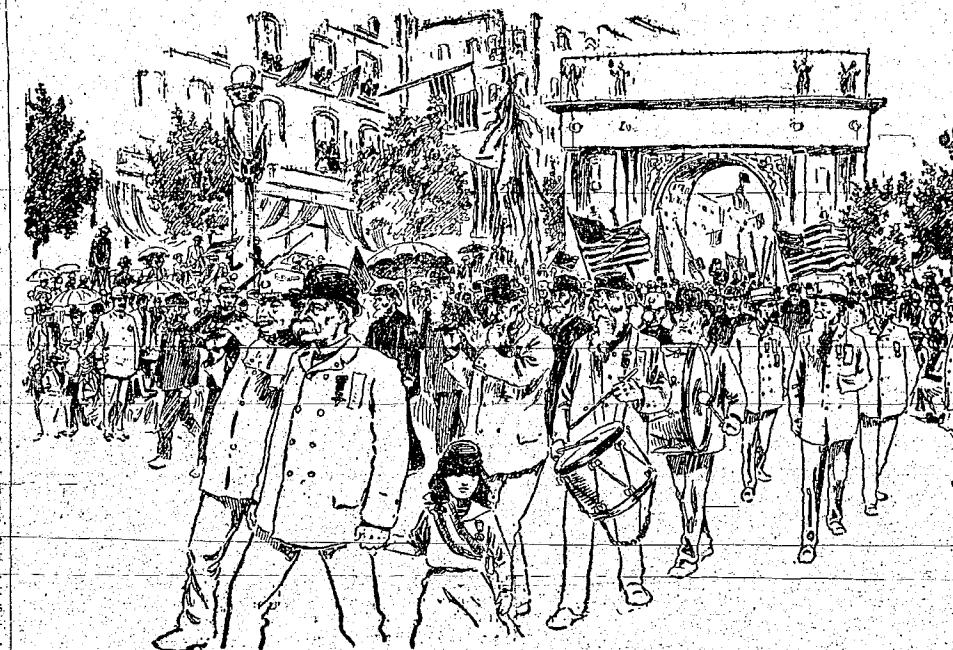
Chicago Correspondence: Off with your hats as they go by, Cheer for the patriots who wear the blue!

Crippled and scarred and out of breath, These were the heroes of '62!

They swing down, Michigan boulevard those steel men of the Grand Army in a martial review more impressive than any of the century's military spectacles. Their steps a trifle halting, their eyes a trifle dim, but their wrinkled cheeks alight with never-dying patriotism, a great host of the soldiers who choked succession in an awful war marched under battle flags with bloody histories behind commanders who led them into revils of death and carnage, and between banks of uncounited humanity who looked and learned a lesson. There were men scarred and maimed, in that parade, there were men bent with age. But they trudged along under the August sun as full of fire and enthusiasm as when they stormed ramparts and charged redoubts a third of a century ago.

Soon after the sunrise gun was fired Tuesday bands began to play and the post commanders began to lead their companies to the rendezvous at Randolph street and Michigan avenue. Around the Illinois Central station and in the thoroughfares adjacent thereto, were thousands and thousands of blue-coated veterans. There was much wheeling and counter-marching in response to commands, much coveting of spirited horses and much brassy blare from scores of bands. Finally a troop of mounted policemen, formed a line clear across the

## SCENE IN THE STREET PAGEANT OF THE GRAND ARMY REUNION AT CHICAGO.



## ADJUTANT GENERAL'S REPORT.

## Total Membership of the Grand Army of the Republic is 257,981.

The report of Adj. Gen. Thomas J. Stewart stated that the total membership of the Grand Army of the Republic in good standing June 30, 1899, was 6,905, with a membership of 257,981, while on June 30, 1900, it was 6,778 posts, with a membership of 276,662. The gain and losses for the twelve months ending June 30, 1900, were as follows:

Members in good standing June 30, 1899	257,981
Gain by muster in.....	8,501
Gain by transfer.....	1,337
Loss by suspension.....	1,337
Gain from delinquent reports.....	6,315
Total gain.....	31,476
Aggregate.....	319,457
Loss by death.....	7,790
Loss by transfer.....	6,385
Loss by suspension.....	18,189
Loss by dishonorable discharge.....	174
Loss by surrender or charter.....	745
Total loss.....	42,795

Members in good standing June 30, 1900..... 276,662

Members remaining suspended June 30, 1900..... 29,474

Total borne on rolls..... 306,136

Reports received from the various departments show 9,000 names were dropped from the rolls, having been previously suspended. The percentage of loss by death in the year ending June 30, 1900, was 2.8 per cent. This is the largest per cent of any year in the history of the organization excepting 1896, when it was 2.91 per cent.

The report of the Adjutant General shows that the four largest departments are as follows:

New York.....	32,106
Pennsylvania.....	29,818
Ohio.....	23,897
Illinois.....	23,037

The high-water mark of membership was reached in 1890, with 409,480 members. The present members number 276,662. During the last year \$129,279.26 was expended for the relief of veterans.

## SIZE OF THE PARADE.

Estimates Place the Number of Men in Line at Fully 30,000.

The total size of the parade was placed at 30,000 men, not only by careful counting of the sections and estimates based upon it, but also by Maj. Gen. Miles and Commander-in-chief Shaw, whose experience in conducting and reviewing parades makes their estimates much more than guess work.

The following estimate was made of the length of time which it took for the biggest departments to pass a given point and of the number of men in those departments:

Minutes, Number of men	
Wisconsin.....	15 1,500
Pennsylvania.....	15 1,500
Ohio.....	34 3,000
New York.....	8 1,000
Michigan.....	11 1,100
Iowa.....	21 2,100
Missouri.....	10 1,000
Illinois.....	30 7,000

Col. Samuel Moody, Adjutant General of Pennsylvania, who has attended every Grand Army reunion, made the following statement to pass a given point:

RAILROADS IN CHICAGO.

Railroads Entering the City Worked to Their Utmost Capacity.

Conservative estimates made by passenger officials of all the railroads terminating in Chicago show that nearly 300,000 people came from a distance, on account of the G. A. R. encampment, during the three days. This total does not include suburban passengers during that time. More people came to Chicago during the three days than in any three consecutive days during the World's Fair.

Between 1,400 and 1,500 veterans were unable to find beds Monday night, although nearly 5,000 cots, provided by those in charge of the encampment, were unoccupied. At the Second regiment armory, Washington boulevard and Curtis street, no less than 405 of the 1,000 cots provided free of charge, with breakfast included, were unoccupied, and, with a few exceptions, the beds in the school houses in every portion of the city which had been intended for the use of the veterans were without occupants.

The condition of the hotels Monday night has been unequalled since the World's Fair. All the rooms were occupied at an early hour, and cots were being placed in the halls and corridors.

## McKinley Not Present.

President McKinley announced Saturday afternoon that he would be unable to attend the G. A. R. reunion at Chicago on account of the continued pressure of public business of immediate importance.

## Pension Statistics.

Many statistics were given by Gen. Shaw in his address regarding the pension situation. They showed that 911,519 pensioners were on the rolls on July 1, 1899, and that 45,338 new names were added during the year ending July 1, 1900, making a total of 1,036,863. During the year there were 43,334 names dropped from deaths, remarriages and other causes, leaving the roll at present 993,520. This is a gain of 20,010 during the last year. At present there are 437,104 claims pending.

## Made His Last March.

Death claimed one of the veterans in the parade, Charles Beckwith, 65 years old, of Algoma, Mich., who was marching in the ranks of Sheridan Post, No. 4, of the department of Michigan, dropped dead of heart disease and exhaustion.

The spectators of gray-haired old fighters trying vainly to straighten the bent shoulders that once were square and strong, and to keep step to war tunes and battle hymns, and their feeble efforts to fight fatigue put pathos into a scene that was already pathetic, and told the story of the army's last retreat before Father Time. Some dropped from the ranks before the march was over; others leaned on comrades' shoulders and gamely tramped to the finish, and still others pushed along, heads up, steps firm, fit for battle with any foeman that ever lived. Thirty thousand of them marched.

## JUSTICE AND RIGHT.

## COUNTY OFFICERS.

Sherriff.....	Geo. F. Orman
Clerk.....	John Hartwick
Register.....	John Lees
Treasurer.....	E. M. Gouline
Judge of Probate.....	J. J. Gouline
O. C. Com. ....	L. T. White
Surveyor.....	Wm. Blanck

FIRE INSURANCE.

South Branch.....	F. F. Richardson
Upper Creek.....	John Hartwick
Maple Forest.....	E. R. Beckrow
Grayling.....	Albert Taylor
Frederick.....	James Smith

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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SUPERVISOR.

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SOCIETY MEETINGS.

M. E. CHURCH—Rev. O. W. Willet, Pastor.
Services at 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday school at 12 m. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Rev. G. L. Gouline, Pastor. Regular Services every 2nd and 4th Sunday in the month at 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday School at 12 o'clock and Y. P. S. C. at 6:30 p.m. Evening meeting every Wednesday evening.
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DANISH EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH—Rev. A. P. Bekker, Pastor. Services every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m., and every Wednesday at 7 p.m. A lecture in school room 12 m.
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METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH—Rev. J. J. Willits, Pastor. Services every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. except the third Sunday each month. Sunday school at 1 p.m.
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ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH—Father H. Webler. Regular services the 2nd Sunday in each month.
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GRAYLING LODGE, No. 356, F. & A. M. meets in regular communication on Thursday evening on or before the full of the moon.
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J. F. HURN, Secretary.
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MARVIN POST, No. 240, G. A. R., meets the second and fourth Saturdays in each month.
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A. L. POND, Post Com.
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J. C. HANSON, Adjutant.
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WOMEN'S RELIEF CORPS, No. 162, meets on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.
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Mrs. J. M. Jones, President.
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JULIA FOURNIER, Sec.
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GRAYLING CHAPTER, B. A. M., No. 123. Meets every third Tuesday in each month.
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J. K. MERRZ, H. P. A. TAYLOR, Sec.
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GRAYLING LODGE, I. O. O. F., No. 137. Meets every Tuesday evening.
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JOSEPH PATTERSON, N. G. C. O. McCULLOUGH, Sec.
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BUTLER POST, No. 21, Union Life Guards, meets every first and third Saturday evenings.
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In W. B. C. Hall. H. DOUGHERTY, Captain.
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P. D. BRACHES, Adjutant.
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CRAWFORD TENT, K. O. T. M., No. 104. Meets every Saturday evening.
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J. COLLIN Com.
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T. NOLAN, R. E.
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GRAYLING CHAPTER, ORDER OF EASTERN STAR, No. 83, meets Wednesday evening on or before the full of the moon.
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Mrs. A. GROUFLY, W. M. MRS. FRED NARRIN, Sec.
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COURT GRAYLING, I. O. O. F., No. 70. Meets second and last Wednesday of each month.
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J. WOODBURN, C. R. B. WISNER, H. S.
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GRAYLING HIVE, No. 64, I. O. O. F.—Meets every first and third Wednesday of each month.
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Mrs. GOULETTE, Lady Com.
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Mrs. F. WAIDE, Reck Keeper.
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REGULAR CONVOCATION OF PORTAGE LODGE, No. 141, K. of P., meets in Castle Hall the first and third Wednesday of each month.
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H. A. POND, K. of P.
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L. T. WRIGHT, C. O.
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GRAYLING COUNCIL, No. B. & S. M. will hold their regular convocation on Friday, on or before the full of the moon.
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JULIUS K. MERRZ, T. J. M. F. L. MICHELSON, Sec.
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GARFIELD CIRCLE, No. 16, Ladies of the G. A. R. meet the second and fourth Friday evening in each month.
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Rosa E. FORBES, President.
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ELLA McINTYRE, Secretary.
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BUSINESS DIRECTORY.
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## Crawford County

## Exchange Bank

N. MICHELSON & R. HANSON, PROPRIETORS.
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GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.
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Money
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GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

## ENGINES IN A RIVER.

### RUN INTO AN OPEN DRAW NEAR DETROIT.

**Accident to Fast Freight on Wabash Road—Misunderstanding as to Signals—No One Is Hurt—Ingratitude of a Missouri Hobo.**

Two Wabash locomotives and three freight cars of the Wabash fast Eastern freight train No. 9 ploughed through an open drawbridge into the Rouge river at Delray, Mich., near Detroit. The engine crews had remarkably narrow escapes and no one was injured. The heavy train approached the bridge too rapidly to be controlled. The rule is to stop 300 yards from the bridge unless signalled otherwise. Engineers Wagner and McNab say that the signal indicated to come ahead. The bridge tender averts the signal was to stop. The engineer and fireman of the lead engine jumped off easily. The men on engine two narrowly got out through the tender gangway. The bottom of the Rouge is very soft and the engines have sunk out of sight. Wabash trains are passing over the Michigan Central as the approach to the Wabash bridge is blocked.

### HOBOS RORS HIS FARMER HOST.

**Aided and Fed While Suffering, He Proves Dishonest.**

Six farmer boys were playing ball in a field near the home of Harold Davis, about four miles north of Columbia, Mo.

A sturdy youth smote the ball so vigorously that it sped over the fence surrounding the field and disappeared in a bunch of trees. Just then a cry of pain was heard. The boys ran to the bunch of trees. There lay a tramp prone on the ground and there was the ball near by. Tenderly the boys raised the limp form from the ground and carried it to the Davis house. At first the tramp showed no life except that he was able to swallow half a pint of whisky from a bottle thrust between his teeth. This revived him, and he was soon seated in a chair devouring a good meal, while all the members of the family were eating in the dining room adjoining. When they returned they found that their guest had departed. He took with him the remainder of the whisky, a dozen loaded shells and a breech-loading shotgun.

### MILLIONAIRE'S HEIRS WED.

**Beneficiaries, in No Way Related to Dead Man, Join Their Shares.**

As a sequel to an unusual will case, Miss Hattie Calvert and Thomas M.

Barr, both of Kansas City, chief beneficiaries of the will of Charles G. Hopkins, who was a local capitalist, have been married in Stratford, Ont. Mr. Hopkins died Oct. 29, 1896, leaving an estate valued at \$600,000, and by the provisions of his will it was all bequeathed to Miss Calvert, her sister Sarah and Mr. Barr, which was remarkable in that he was not related to them, and left nothing to his relatives. His sister, Mrs. Narcissa Nelson of Indianapolis, contested the will, but the case was settled out of court, the bulk of the property being given to the original beneficiaries.

### Contests on the Diamond.

The standing of the clubs in the National League is as follows:

W. L. W. L.

Brooklyn . . . 01-30 Chicago . . . 50-53

Pittsburgh . . . 50-53 Cincinnati . . . 49-53

Philadelphia . . . 52-50 St. Louis . . . 48-54

Boston . . . 51-51 New York . . . 41-60

### Following is the standing in the American League:

W. L. W. L.

Chicago . . . 40-43 Detroit . . . 50-50

Milwaukee . . . 49-53 Cleveland . . . 56-61

Indianapolis . . . 63-58 Buffalo . . . 52-62

Kansas City . . . 40-59 Minneapolis . . . 45-73

### Killed During a Panic.

As the result of a panic on an electric train at Silver Lake, a suburban resort near Akron, Ohio, late the other night, one person was killed and three others injured. The panic was caused by a fuse burning out and flames bursting up through the car floor. The passengers became terrified and made a frantic rush to get off.

### Cholera Epidemic in India.

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A terrible wind and rain storm swept over a portion of Sledina, Mo., wrecking a number of business houses, unroofing a score or more of residences and destroying hundreds of trees. Two persons were seriously injured by falling buildings.

### Chinese Are Routed.

It is rumored that the Japanese gained a great victory over the Boxers and Chinese troops from Pekin and Ho-Si-Wu at Tel-Chou. The story says that 1,500 Chinese were killed, including Prince Tuan, and that all the Chinese were driven back into Chee-lee.

### NEW FRAUD IN EXPRESS.

**Mystery of the Disappearance of Costly Parcels Solved by Detectives.**

Express companies at St. Paul have discovered a clever swindle by which they have lost a large amount of money and which has been shrouded in mystery for a long time. The man who is being looked for is known by so many names that it has not yet been ascertained what his right name is or who he is. He is a chemist by profession, and it is by the knowledge of this art that he has managed to operate his swindle. He would appear in New York at one of the local express offices with a package valued at \$10,000, which he orders sent to some part of the States. He then follows the package to the place of its destination, where, under a different name, he will appear as the party to whom the package was sent. The package is looked for, but notwithstanding the fact that it is registered on the books it is not to be recovered. The sender then returns to New York, where he presents claims in care of the company. It has been discovered that, instead of placing property of value in the box, it contains a consummate chemical preparation which so entirely destroys the covering of the parcel and everything in it that not a trace is to be found. This has occurred a number of times, and from certain indications it would appear that he is not alone in his operations, as a number of times the package has been called for by a woman;

### HITS PREACHER WITH HER FISTS.

**Cincinnati Woman Thrashes a Man Who Eloped with Her Niece.**

Because her niece eloped with Spruce E. Rawlings, a preacher whose attention soundly thrashed the groom with her fists. She landed dozens of hard blows on the back of his neck, puncturing them with various expressions of indignation. Rawlings, who is a six-footer, quietly submitted, while his bride wept. The bride will remain with her husband. Rawlings is aged 28, formerly of Louisville, Ky. He met the niece, Miss Blanche Kuhn, at Louisville about eighteen months ago. Rawlings went to Cincinnati recently and the pair became engaged and eloped to Covington.

### OVER \$4,000,000 NOW PLEDGED.

**Louisiana Purchase Fair Subscriptions Appear to Be Coming Freely.**

There has been a marked renewal of activity at the Louisiana purchase fair headquarters in St. Louis recently. In accordance with the program mapped out at the meeting held at the end of June, the total amount will secure the completion of the stock subscription fund of \$5,000,000 is commenced at the beginning of September. More than \$4,000,000 of this amount has been pledged already and it is expected the remainder will be obtained soon. Correspondence from Paris indicates the certainty of securing several of the very best exhibits in the exposition there for the Louisiana centennial in 1903.

### MASKED MEN ROB AN AGENT.

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A daring robbery occurred at Larimore, N. D., just before the "flyer" pulled in from the west. Two masked men entered the Great Northern express office and held an Agent Harry Nelson. They took a shot at him, and then calmly told his mother that he was shot. A doctor was sent for, who dressed the wound, but was unable to locate the ball. He will pull through all right.

### Tidal Wave at St. Joseph.

The first tidal wave on Lake Michigan, in the history of St. Joseph struck the harbor early the other morning in company with a southwest gale and a heavy rain and ball storm. The tidal wave was ten feet high and carried everything in its path before it. When it receded it swept thousands of feet of lumber into the lake. Had the waters receded five feet higher in the beach they would have carried scores of buildings into the lake.

### Giant Skeleton Unearthed.

An interesting discovery has been made at the Michigan State line north of Angola, Ind., by the unearthing of a giant skeleton, together with several highly tempered copper implements. The bones indicate a person of enormous size; the lower jaw being large enough to fit over that of an ordinary man. Hundreds of people have visited the prehistoric relic and its discovery will result in other explorations being made.

### Rides a Bicycle to Her Doom.

Lillian Woodford, a pretty 19-year-old stenographer in an Adrian lawyer's office, hanged herself in a room in the Lillian House at Tecumseh. She rode there on the morning train. Some think the robbers are local parties; others that they are traveling outlaws.

### Bob Stiles an Evangelist.

**Hoots, Jeers and Other Demonstrations of Hostility on the Part of a mob gathered outside of Doak's Hall in Philadelphia brought an evangelistic service to a summary close.** As the worshippers and their spiritual advisers made their way toward the cars many emphasized their disapproval of the work of the evangelists by throwing stones or decayed vegetables at the retiring Preacher.

### Cartwright Swept by Fire.

The business portion of Cartwright, Wis., a town of 2,000 inhabitants, was entirely destroyed by fire. Among the things burned were the sawmill, planing mill, flour mill, Blaney's warehouse, a number of stores and dwellings.

### General Uribe Surrenders.

Latest advices say that Gen. Uribe, the chief of the insurgent forces in Colombia, has surrendered to the government at Chichigalpa.

### Fifty Persons Poisoned.

Six hundred persons attended the harvest home festival at Georgetown, N. J., to celebrate the successful gathering of the year's crops. Two hours after the festival began, fifty persons in attendance were stricken with serious illness from something they had eaten and had to be conveyed to their homes.

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### Scar Saves Negro from a Mob.

Charles Wilson, a negro from Greenville, Miss., was caught at Moon's Landing by a band of men who were searching

for Dick Johnson, the alleged murderer of Contractor Tom Mike. The noose was around Wilson's neck and ten determined men were about to hang the negro when the discovery was made that Wilson had a scar on his face which was absent from the face of Johnson. Wilson was then released.

### POSTOFFICE IS ROBBED.

**Cracksmen Enter Federal Building at St. Joseph, Mich., and Get \$50,000.**

Professional safe-breakers operated in St. Joseph, Mich., the other night and after visiting one or two other business places entered the Federal building through a skylight and robbed the post office. It is thought that the men escaped to Michigan City or Chicago on an early morning train. According to the best reports the robbery must have occurred about 1 o'clock. Several clerks were in the building until midnight, and one of them noticed a man hanging around the building. He did not notify the officers, however. The next morning the office was the scene of great confusion. There was a hole two feet square in the ceiling, directly over the vault. The marauders bored a hole in the floor above and cut through the steel ceiling. They then used a rope and descended themselves down to the main floor of the office; then drilled the safe and worked the combination. They took all of the stamps and postal cards in the vault, so the city was for a few hours without postage. This is the third big burglary of this kind in a month. Postmaster Woodruff has taken an inventory of his loss and states that the same is \$5,000. He would make his return to the Government on Sept. 1, and on that account had more money on hand than usual.

### HAWAII HAS LIQUOR PROBLEM.

**Congressional Territorial Bill Abolishes Prohibition.**

The discovery has been made that the wording of the territorial bill Congress has made an enactment that absolutely prohibits the sale of intoxicating liquors in the territory of Hawaii. In section 55 of the territorial bill are the words, "nor shall spirituous or intoxicating liquors be sold except under such regulations and restrictions as the territorial legislature shall provide."

The territorial legislature has not met yet and cannot meet for some months unless there is a special session, hence no regulations at all have been made or provided.

The old rules and restrictions are void, the penalties for violating them will be with them, and Hawaii is for the time being a "wide-open country."

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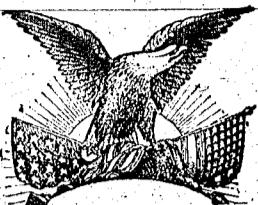
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POLITICAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.



Republican National Ticket

FOR PRESIDENT:

WM. MCKINLEY, of Ohio.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT:

THEODORE ROOSEVELT, of N.Y.

For Congressmen, 16th Dist.

R. O. CRUM, of Bay.

Republican State Ticket.

For Governor:

AARON T. BLISS, of Saginaw County.

For Lieut. Governor:

O. W. RONINSON, of Houghton.

For Secretary of State:

FRED WARNER, of Oakland.

For Treasurer:

DANIEL MCCOY, of Kent.

For Auditor General:

PERRY F. POWERS, of Wexford.

For Com. of Land Office:

E. A. WILDEY, of Van Buren.

For Attorney General:

HORACE M. OURN, of Chippewa.

For Sup. Public Instruction:

DELOS PALM, of Calhoun.

For Member St. Board of Education:

J. H. THOMPSON, of Oscoda.

For Senator, 28th Dist.

A. J. DOUGHERTY, of Clare.

With Bryan elected this year, all the conditions for a panic to follow it are as strong as they were in 1872, and that, if it should come, would simply put an end to any prospects of Democratic success in the nation for years in the future. —Boston Herald.

If the workingmen of this country cast sixteen votes for McKinley to one for Bryan, they will show that they know which side their bread is buttered on, and will apply the dimer-pall argument in an intelligent, practical and self-helpful way. —Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

Mr. Bryan says the present campaign "is a contest between democracy on the one hand and plutocracy on the other." This is the talk of a demagogue who is an Anarchist at heart. There are as many capitalists in the Democratic party as there are in the Republican, and as many Republican workingmen as Democratic. —Indianapolis Journal.

Half of the last British loan was taken by people in the United States so that in place of this country having to work to pay interest to British holders of United States bonds, the process is reversed, and the British is now compelled to send money to this country to pay interest on his obligations. This is another condition which Bryan promises to change when he gets into power.

After all it is some consolation partially to agree with the Democratic press of the nation. In case of Bryan's election the Senate may save the country from some vicious legislation. Thanks are due the Democratic papers for this suggestion and admission. But it is rather extraordinary that Democratic papers appeal to Republican aid to protect the public from a Democratic menace. —Kansas City (Mo.) Journal.

UNLESS there is a free ballot and a fair count and an acquiescence in the results of elections, a republic cannot live. In South Carolina there is not a free ballot. In Louisiana there is not a fair count and in Kentucky there is not acquiescence in the results of elections. Yet the party whose strength in congress depends on such methods is now posing as the friend of freedom and the savior of free institutions. —Cheboygan Tribune.

If it had not been for Republican "expansion" Hawaii would not have become a part of the Union; if Hawaii had not become a part of the Union, a Hawaiian delegate-at-large would not have sat in the Democratic convention and been a member of the platform committee, the 16th plank would have been beaten despite the telephonic orders from Lincoln; if this plank had been beaten, Bryan, according to his own words, would have refused to run for President. Now, therefore can Bryan logically weigh against expansion, in view of the fact that he himself is a derivative from it? —Cheboygan Tribune.

When Bishop Brooks was told by his private secretary that his Episcopal duties left him no time for him self he said: "I have plenty of time to myself." "When and where?" asked the secretary. "In the railroad cars," answered the Bishop. —Sept. Ladies' Home Journal.

In 1894 Colorado mined a lot of silver and only \$4,401,514 in gold and was crazy for Bryan and 16 to 1. In 1898 she mined gold to the value of \$23,195,300, and will unquestionably come back to the Republican column, where she belongs. Colorado has become a great manufacturing State and has no use for a party which proposes to draw the fires from her furnaces. —San Francisco "Chronical."

That the Republicans in the west who left the party in 1890 on account of the silver issue will nearly all vote for McKinley and Roosevelt this year has been apparent for some time to close observers. The strong declaration of Senator Stewart, of Nevada, who was one of the leaders of the bolt four years ago, in favor of the Republican ticket, created consternation among the Bryanites, and it is believed that Senator Jones, of Nevada, endorses every word said by Senator Stewart, and probable that he will make a similar declaration over his signature at an early date.

A SPECIAL to the Chicago Inter Ocean from Omaha, Neb., says Dr. George L. Miller, for thirty years a leader of the Democratic forces in Nebraska, the founder of the old Omaha Herald, is a most uncompromising foe to Bryanism. He said last Saturday:

"I know Bryan as well as any one can know him, for I have worked with him in his early political days, and have been in touch with his actions of more recent years. I have no faith whatever in his sincerity, because I credit him with more than ordinary intelligence. He knew the fallacy of the free-silver proposition when he first thrust it upon the party in this state, but he insisted upon making it a political issue, for, with panther-like quickness, he realized that it could be readily employed to delude a people who at that time were suffering a universal business depression.

The primary objection to Bryan is his continuous assault upon the established institutions of his country, his unremitting attacks upon our citizens who happen to own something; his implied carelessness as to the preservation of law and order.

The Farmer and Prosperity.

For want of better arguments the Democratic politicians tell the farmers that natural conditions and not the Republican party are responsible for their share of general prosperity. This is in a measure true, yet Republican politics have had a good deal to do with it. Four years ago the prices of beef and pork were low because of the small demand, which was caused by the fact that the consumers were economizing on meat.

The more prosperous classes economized because of lack of profits in their business, and the poorer classes because of lack of adequate wages, both results of the Wilson-Bryan-Green Tariff. Naturally, when the farmer was forced to accept low prices for his cattle and hogs he could not make enough to pay off his mortgage. At the same time the per capita consumption of cereals went down about a bushel, the prices of breadstuffs fell and the farmer again had to stand the loss. But when the return of industry came with McKinley's election the prices of beef and pork rose. The business men began to make profits and the laborer got better wages. All classes began to live better and to consume more meat and a better grade of vegetable food, and the prices for cattle and hogs went up accordingly. It is not because there are fewer cattle and hogs in the country for sale than there were in Democratic times, because the farmers have increased their herds in every direction but because more of the laboring people are eating pork and beef than before. The reason is natural and legitimate. The jockeys are not paying any more for cattle than they are obliged to, but when a stock feeder can get \$70 and upward for a 1,400-pound steer he is not slow in hunting for feeders, and they get their own prices for their stock. As the great supply agent of the people, the farmer is too closely connected with their interests not to be affected by their poverty or prosperity, and whatever policies make the people more prosperous, have the same effect upon him in spite of the calamity howlers to the contrary. —Grand Rapids Herald.

The opening chapters of Elizabeth Phelps' new novel are published in the October Ladies' Home Journal.

The trials of a suburbanite with servant girl as its theme. The author does not attempt to solve the domestic-service problem, but one cannot read "The Successor of Mary the First" without getting a great deal of genuine pleasure, nicely spiced with rich humor.

## FACTS FOR FARMERS

Nearly every one can say that he fared better during the past three years than he did under the Cleveland soup house regime. A comparison of time and prices looks up something like this:

Do you know that one bushel of corn will buy 23 pounds of coffee, when in 1896 it bought but two-thirds of a pound?

That one bushel of wheat will buy 13 yards of gingham, while in 1896 it bought but 10 yards?

That one bushel of oats will buy six pounds of rolled oats, while in 1896 it bought 21 pounds?

That 32 bushels of corn will buy a binder, while in 1896 it took 750 bushels?

That 171 bushels of corn will buy a wagon, while in 1896 it took 344 bushels, or 100 bushels of wheat will buy the same wagon, while in 1896 it took 110 bushels?

That 44 bushels of corn will buy a chilled plow, while in 1896 it took 100 bushels?

That one pound of wool will buy 44 yards of calico, while in 1896 it bought 23 yards?

That nine bushels of corn will buy a keg of nails, while in 1896 it took 10 bushels?

That three bushels of corn will buy 12 yards of Lonsdale muslin, of which it took five in 1896?

That 55 pounds of wool will buy you a good suit that it took 109 to buy in 1896?

That 131 pounds of wool will buy a pair of shoes which it took 27 pounds to buy in 1896?

That 38.5 bushels of wheat will buy a set of harness that it took 50 bushels to buy in 1896 or that 68 bushels of corn will buy, while it took 155 bushels in 1896; or that 100 bushels of oats will buy, while it took 250 bushels in 1896; or 113 pounds of wool will buy, while it took 227 pounds in 1896?

That everything you have to sell will buy more of the necessities of life than the same amount would purchase in 1896?

In 1896 the implement men were besieged with offers to trade horses and cows for implements, and now you never hear of any such offering made. —Waterloo (Illi.) "Republican."

Krupp's latest gun shoots eighteen miles, and this is one of the implements that ought not to be sold to slippery Sultans and half-civilized Emperors.

Jim Kilpatrick of McLain, Harvey County, is a fighting, frothing Democrat. The other day he was out fishing with some of the boys and managed to upset the boat in deep water. He could not swim, but he held to the boat and shouted to his friends on the bank for assistance. Seeing he was in no particular danger the boys told him they wouldn't help him until he gave three cheers for McKinley. "Hurrah for McKinley," said Jim in a weak and perishing voice. "Louder!" declared the crowd. And then Jim, bellowed, "Hurrah for McKinley!" until he could have been heard a mile away, whereupon one of the boys tossed him a rope with the remark "This isn't the first time McKinley has helped a d—n fool out of a hole." —Kansas City (Mo.) "Journal."

DATED AUG. 15th, 1900.

DAVIDOSBORN, Mortgagee.

C. H. GLEASON, Attorney for Mortgagor.

Aug. 16-18w. Grand Rapids, Mich.

## To whom it may concern.

Take Notice.—That an application signed by the undersigned Peter Mueller has been made to the Board of Supervisors of the county of Crawford, Michigan, for leave to construct a dam across the Manistee river, for the purpose of creating a reservoir, or pond, in said river above said dam, in which to store logs and other forest products, at a point as follows:—Sixty (60) rods north and thirty-nine (39) rods west of the quarter post located on the southline of section seven (7), Town twenty-eight (28) north of Range four (4) west. Said dam to be built of earth and timber not to exceed twenty (20) feet in height; the base and foundation to be not to exceed eighty (80) feet in breadth; the top breadth of said dam to be not to exceed twenty (20) feet. A chute to be constructed through said dam eighty (80) feet in length, ten (10) feet wide in the clear, inside measurement, and twenty (20) feet in depth, to permit the free and unobstructed passage and floatage of timber and other forest products through said dam; said chute to have suitable gates thereon to control the flow of the water of said stream. Said dam to be provided with a fish ladder, to be put in in such manner as shall be prescribed by the Board of Fish Commissioners of the State of Michigan.

And that such petition will be read and brought out to be heard at the meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Crawford County, Michigan, on the second Monday of October, 1900, to wit, the eighth day of said month, in the village of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan. —PETER MUELLER, P. O. Address: Frederic, Mich. aug. 23-4w

## Mortgage Sale.

Default has been made in the condition of a mortgage dated August 31st, 1898, recorded in office of register of deeds of Crawford County, Michigan, September 7th, 1898, in Liber E of mortgages, on page 10, in amount of one thousand dollars, by Chester A. Ladd and Jessie Lamb, mortgagors to David Osborn, mortgagee. —The amount claimed to be due and payable on said mortgage at this date for principal and interest, four hundred dollars, and an attorney fee of fifteen dollars, provided for by statute. No proceedings at law or in chancery have been instituted to recover said debt or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained, and the statute in such case made and provided, the premises in said mortgage described will be sold at public vendue to the highest bidder, at the front door of the Court House in Crawford County, Michigan, situated in the village of Grayling, in said county, that being the building wherein is held the Circuit Court for the county in which said premises are situated, on Saturday November 10th, 1900, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, for the purpose of satisfying the sums claimed to be due on said mortgage, interest thereon, and the expenses of such sale. Said premises are described in said mortgage substantially as follows:—All of the East half of the North-west quarter of section twenty-one, in town twenty-five of Range two west, Crawford County, Michigan.

The premises are situated on Saturday November 10th, 1900, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, for the purpose of satisfying the sums claimed to be due on said mortgage, interest thereon, and the expenses of such sale. Said premises are described in said mortgage substantially as follows:—All of the East half of the North-west quarter of section twenty-one, in town twenty-five of Range two west, Crawford County, Michigan.

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## LOCAL ITEMS.

Advertised Letters—John Rouse, Joseph Mihart.

Muresco is the best Wall Finish in the market. Sold by Colter & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Taylor are home from a delightful visit in Detroit.

Detroit White Lead Works Paints, Oils and Varnishes at A. Kraus'.

Miss Edith Ward, of Roscommon, was visiting friends here last week.

**Crescent Bicycles.**

Salling, Hanson & Co.

For a Rambler, Ideal or Hudson Bicycle go to A. Kraus.

For SALE, CHEAP—A good second hand coal stove. W. F. Benklem.

L. Fournier made a business trip to Saginaw last Friday.

For Doors, Sash, Glass and Putty go to A. Kraus.

Burt Maun and daughter, of Lewis-ton were visitor in town one day last week.

Rev. Mr. Jones of Roscommon occupied the pulpit of the M. E. church last Sunday morning and evening.

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Miss Florence Taylor has completed the school census for this District, and finds 421 pupils of school age.

If you want the best Sewing Machine buy the Singer. Sold on easy payments, by A. Kraus.

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Geo. L. Alexander was in Cheboygan the first of the week on legal business.

Victor Sorenson's boy, and a burst-ing gun were in contact Monday; and the boy's wrist was terribly lacerated.

The Mackinaw excursion train, Tuesday, consisted of eleven coaches all of which were crowded.

Mrs. M. A. Bates and the children visited Mrs. J. Hoyt at Gaylord last week, accompanied by J. K. Bates of Maple Forest.

The night run of the Band mill is indefinitely called off and the large mill is shut down for a week or two for needed repairs.

For School Books, Tablets, Slates, Pens, Pencils, in fact for everything in the line of school supplies, call at Fournier's Drug Store.

**Peninsular Stoves and Ranges** guaranteed the best. Sold by A. KRAUS.

A woodman named Francis was caught by a rolling log in Mason's camp Monday, and suffered a severe injury to one of his ankles.

Albert Kraus has just received a full line of fishing tackle which he sells at reasonable prices. The only tackle that catches the fish.

Forest Wilcox and family came up from Lansing with the big excursion Tuesday, for a visit with the Father and Mother.

Prof. Graham reports the opening attendance at school as very full, except in the high school room, which is light.

In the reorganization of the school Board, Monday evening, Mr. A. Bates was elected Moderator, J. Patterson, Director and H. A. Bauman, Assessor.

Orders for parts of all kinds, and of all kinds of Sewing Machines will have special attention at J. W. Sorenson's. He also keeps a good assortment of Machine Needles.

The old soldiers were promptly on hand Tuesday morning to have their pension vouchers executed. They want some money to pay expenses to the reunion at Standish next week.

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Cash for Tobacco Tags! For a limited time we will pay 1-2 cent each for tin tags from Standard Navy and Spear Head plug tobacco, aug 30-31. J. W. SORENSEN.

C. M. Carney of Buffalo, N. Y., was in town the first of the week, visiting his cousin, T. A., and looking after lumber. He goes from here to Canada.

A copy of the San Juan News, Puerto Rico, received from our nephew, Lieut. D. A. Palmer, shows the people of the islands fully alive to the necessity of complying with the demands of this nation.

## Paints!

If you want to paint your house this summer, use the Sherwin Williams Paint. Why not use the best paint? It only cost you a few cents more than poor paint, and it will give you satisfaction. Nothing is better than Sherwin Williams Paint. Sold by S. H. & Co.

The campaign opens in Bay City to-morrow, with the presence of Col. Roosevelt as the chief attraction. A great crowd is expected.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian Church will hold their annual meeting in the Parlors of the church, on Friday of this week, at 3:30 p. m.

Ulcers, open or obstinate sores, scabs and piles, quickly cured by Banner Salve, the most healing Medicine in the world. L. Fournier.

Miss Cora Ballard met with quite a severe accident Saturday from a fall, which injured her back, and gave her a severe shaking up by the concussion.

Miss Kathryn Bates spoke in the M. E. church at Roscommon last Sunday to an appreciative audience on the subject of Deaconess work, as conducted by that society.

To Cure a Cold in one Day take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. George's signature is on each box. 25c.

Geo. Tappan, of Roscommon Co., killed a large bear one day last week. He was alone and both were hungry, and it was Geo. or the bear and Geo. was not ready to go, hence the above result.

The W. R. C. will place for sale in the window of the millinery store, Saturday, Sept. 8th: Biscuit, Baked Pork and Beans, Cake, Waffles and Pumpkin Pie. Any amount called for sold, all the way from 50¢ to \$1.00.

Miss Nettie McLarty, of Standish, was the guest of Miss Marcia Kondrick, Sunday. She has resumed her duties as teacher in the Cobb district, Maple Forest, where she has been engaged in the past year.

We have received a copy of The Decatur Republican, which announces the arrival and settlement

in that city, of Rev. G. L. Guichard and family. He began his pastoral service last Sunday.

Mrs. T. A. Carney returned from her visit at the old home last Saturday. She was well pleased with the care that her husband had taken of the kids, while she was gone.

At the School Meeting Monday night it was voted to raise \$3,990 dollars by direct tax. H. A. Bauman and George Comer were elected trustees in place of A. Taylor and N. Mickelson.

Comrade A. H. Wisner and his wife were the only ones from here who attended the National encampment, G. A. R., at Chicago. They report a most enjoyable time, having met a host of old time friends aside from his army comrades. The only discomfort was the extreme heat.

While at Roscommon last week the writer was informed by Jas. Watson that the item recently published in the Record and other state papers regarding his removal as deputy state trespass agent was, to a great extent a misrepresentation of the facts.

The facts as published in this paper were gleaned from exchanges, and the Record has no thought of doing Mr. Watson an injustice.—Gladwin Record.

Last Friday evening the Ladies Aid gave Mrs. Wm. Mantz a very pleasant surprise and presented her with a beautiful present as a token of their high esteem. The gentlemen

who accompanied the ladies presented Mr. Mantz with a splendid rocker as a memento of his residence in Lewiston. Mr. and Mrs. Mantz with Else and Raymond leave for Milwaukee Wednesday for future residence.

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Mrs. J. C. Hanson returned from her visit in Indiana, last evening.

Mrs. J. M. Jones is enjoying a visit from her sister, Miss Lina Orofoot, of Chesaning.

## Announcement

EDITOR AVALANCHE.—Please announce that I will be a candidate for the office of

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DIED.—At the home of his aunt, Mrs. L. W. Colter, September 1st, Leon Hammond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hammond, aged 5 years.

Why do you mourn for Leon? He has reached that Better Land, And is singing with the Angels Near the throne at God's right hand.

You know that now, forever He is from sin and sorrow free; Look up, and smile, dear parents; Your Leon waits for thee.

He is waiting now, up yonder With those, who have gone before. He will be the first to meet you When you reach the other shore.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
Land Office at Marquette, Mich.  
August 20th, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that the following named Settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the clerk of the circuit court of Crawford County, Grayling, Mich., on October 1st, 1900, viz.—Homestead application No. 90353, David S. Soper, Set 3 of Section 32, Twp. 27 N. 2 M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz.—John Stephan, George Stephan, Leon J. Stephan and Jasper N. West, all of Grayling, Mich.

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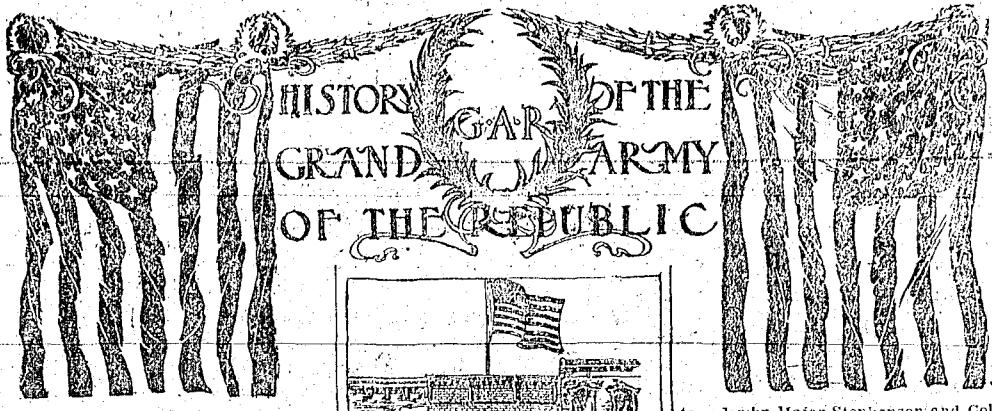
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After peace had been restored both were mustered out and returned to their homes. They kept up a lively correspondence, however, and in March, 1866, met, by appointment, in Springfield, Ill., to consider the draft of a ritual for the organization which they intended to found. Dr. Stephenson had prepared such a draft and consulted many former officers of the Union army in reference to it, among them Col. John M. Snyder, Governor Oglesby's secretary; Dr. James Hamilton, Maj. Robert M. Woods, Maj. Robert Allen, Col. Martin Flood, Col. Daniel Glass, Col. Edward Prince, and many others.

The ritual was finally adopted and printed in the office of the *Docatur*, Ill., Tribune, which was owned by L. W. Coltrin and Joseph Pryor. Both men, as well as nearly all their employees, had been in the military service during the war. They were all pledged to the utmost secrecy. Capt. John S. Phelps superintended the printing of the ritual.

Maj. B. F. Stephenson was the moving spirit of the movement, and devoted himself to his task with great energy and enthusiasm. His friends succeeded in interesting many other officers and men of the Union army on behalf of the proposed organization, and it was finally formed in Springfield in March, 1866.

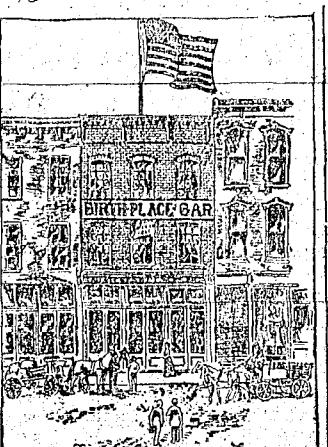
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#### WOMEN WHO SELL PAPERS.

*Comparatively Few of the Sex in the Business in Chicago.*

There are not many women in Chicago who follow the business of selling newspapers on the street, but those who do are not lacking in persistence, says the *Chronicle*. They have several advantages over boys, one being their sex and age, which appeal to buyers of papers; another is a commotion on the street does not divert them from their calling. Their memory of faces is remarkable. When a man buys a paper twice of a woman he is looked upon as a regular customer, and it does not keep up from day to day, it puts on the look of one who is injured. This little trick works well. Not a few men will make it a point to defer purchasing until they reach her street corner. Not a few men regard the patronizing of such persons as a sort of charity and that makes them like to put themselves out a little to do it. All these characteristics of men the woman vendor of newspapers understands, and with every sale there goes with the paper a *look and a smile* which make the buyer feel in his soul that he is ameliorating the condition of the poor and he comes again.

Nearly all women street vendors of newspapers in Chicago are consider-



to order by Major Stephenson and Col. Walter B. Scotts, of Chicago, was elected president. The Department of Illinois was formally organized.

The first national encampment, in which the national organization of the Grand Army of the Republic was perfected, was held at Indianapolis, Ind., on Nov. 20, 1868. It was called to order by Commander-in-Chief B. F. Stephenson, and Gen. John M. Palmer was elected permanent president of the convention. The war Governor of Indiana, Oliver P. Morton, attended the encampment and was received with great enthusiasm.

The second national encampment of the Grand Army did not take place until Jan. 15-17, 1869, and was held at Philadelphia. John A. Logan, of Illinois, was elected commander-in-chief. He was re-elected at the following two national encampments at Cincinnati and Washington, D. C. The fifth national encampment was held at Boston and elected A. E. Burnside commander-in-chief.

During the first years of its existence the growth of the Grand Army of the Republic was comparatively slow, and not until the latter part of the '70s did its marvelous growth really begin. In 1875 the Grand Army comprised but 31,016 members, while at the present time it comprises 7,184 posts, with 286,453 members. The greatest number of members was reached in 1880, when the national organization comprised 409,489 members in good standing. After this it is expected that the number will steadily decrease, owing to the mortality among the veterans.

Following is a list showing the number of members of the Grand Army during the years from 1873 to the present time:

1878	31,016	1890	409,489
1879	44,752	1891	467,551
1880	60,334	1892	393,580
1881	55,856	1893	507,223
1882	124,701	1894	369,088
1883	215,446	1895	357,539
1884	273,108	1896	349,610
1885	294,787	1897	349,456
1886	323,571	1898	305,963
1887	335,916	1899	287,705
1888	372,920	1900	284,553
1889	397,974		

The first State convention of encampment was held at Springfield, Ill., on July 12, 1866. At that time there were already thirty-nine Grand Army posts in the State of Illinois that had received their charters. The call for the convention was signed by many of the most prominent former army officers in the State. The convention was called

the First State convention of encampment to form the Department of Illinois.

The first post was founded in Decatur, Ill., through the efforts of Dr.

the matter from the standpoint of the classifying naturalist. — *Philadelphia Times.*

Starting in the Chicken Business.

There is a story told of a shrewd Yankees who began in business without any capital at all.

He borrowed a broody hen from one neighbor and a setting of eggs from another.

Having set the hen he soon had a fine brood of chicks, but was now in a dilemma as to how he could pay back those eggs.

He finally solved the difficulty by keeping the hen until she had laid the required number of eggs, when he returned both the hen and the eggs, and guessed he had as about a lot of chicks as anybody. And about as cheap, too.

There are men in Western Nebraska who claim a good start from a borrowed cow, but the operation can hardly have been as smooth as this exchange.

Silencing the Boaster.

A certain man was very much given to bragging about grand relations and connections, though he was not always quite convincing.

On one occasion he was particularly tiresome, holding forth about "Lady Blank, whom I met yesterday, a connection of mine through Lord So-and-So and the Earl of Nobody," and so on.

A Scotsman present, said quietly: "That reminds me of a man I knew, who said he was a relation of the Duke of Argyll, and explained it this way: The duke's piper's sister's son had a wee doggit that's ait brother to my aunc's wee ladde doggit."

The boaster was silent about his grand relations for the rest of the evening.

China to Outstrip Japan.

When the outside interference which is now inevitable shall have removed or modified the existing basis to trade China will leave Japan far behind from the industrial standpoint. The Chinese are as remarkable for their commercial morality as the Japanese are for

the opposite, they are more solid, better

balanced, take longer views, and are,

in short, more merchants and less peddlers than the same class in Japan, and the natural resources of their immense country are such as Japan cannot hope

to compete with, poor as she is in mineral wealth and sub-surface to the most disastrous natural convulsions.

Birds That Do Not Sing.

They Far Outnumber the Musicians of the Feathered Family.

Singing is applied to birds in the same sense that it is to human beings—the utterance of musical notes. Every person makes vocal sounds of some kind, but many persons never attempt to sing.

So it is with birds. The eagle screams, the owl hoots, the wild geese honk, the crow caws, but none of these discordant sounds can be called singing.

With the poet, the singing of birds means merely light-hearted joyousness, and most of us are poetic enough to view it in the same way. The birds sing most in the spring and the early summer, those happiest seasons of the year, while employed in nest-building and in rearing their young. Many of our most musical singers are silent all the rest of the year; at least they utter only low chirpings. It is natural, therefore, that lovers of birds should regard their singing as purely an expression of joy in returning spring, and in their happy occupations.

Outside of what are properly classed as song birds there are many species that never pretend to sing; in fact these far outnumber the musicians. They include the waterbirds of every kind, both swimmers and waders, all the birds of prey, eagles, hawks, owls and vultures; and all the gallinaceous tribes, comprising pheasants, partridges, turkeys and chickens. The gobble of the turkey-cock, the defiant crow of the "hob-white," are none of them true singers; yet it is quite probable that all of these sounds are uttered with precisely similar motives to those that inspire the sweet warbling of the song-sparrow, the clear whistle of the robins or the churring music of the wood-thrush.

But naturalists have set apart a very large group as song birds, and even among these there are many species that never sing at all. Birds are grouped according to their anatomical characteristics, the structure of their bones, bills, feet and wings. And thus we have the songless song birds, looking at

next to a nagging wife is a father who is always reminding his children of what they have cost him, and that they ought to pay him back.

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#### GREAT BRIDGE OF STEEL.

Another vast structure to connect Brooklyn and New York.

Brooklyn bridge No. 2 has now reached such a stage of its construction as to arouse the daily interest of all citizens of greater New York whose business is transacted on Manhattan Island and whose homes are in the city of Brooklyn.

The second Brooklyn bridge will be 1,600 feet in length, or four and one-half feet longer between the towers than the present bridge, and will be the largest structure of the kind in the world. In 1895 the plans were made and in the fall of 1896 the work was begun with the caissons for the New York tower. These were built on the Brooklyn side and then taken across the river and anchored on the foundations, filled up with concrete and on top of this work the granite piers were built which support the towers. The work of building these granite supports was a difficult one. On the Brooklyn side the structure extends 108 feet below the high water line and 335 feet above the same line, and as the great masses of stone were unloaded and made ready for place in the structure and as though tons of tons of the same massive building material were piled up in the

center of the one that it was intended for and he would be cured of the habit without knowing how it was done.

"I saw at once what Mrs. Brown was up to and I resolved to get even with her. Her contents looked as much like sugar as anything, so I threw it out and rifled the box from the sugar bowl."

"That evening, from the unusual sweetness of my coffee I realized that she had begun to dope me. Finishing my dinner, I pushed back my chair and said:

"It is strange, my dear, but I haven't the slightest desire to smoke a cigar! I saw her beam at this and then I continued: 'But instead I have a desire to smoke a cigarette!'

"You have what?" she shrieked, for she considers it sure death to smoke the little rolls.

"I desire to smoke a cigarette," said I, calmly. "I shall have to go over to the corner store and get a package."

"Leaving her gasping for breath, I went over and bought a package, and smoked the miserable little things for the rest of the evening, while she wildly begged me to smoke a cigar or anything else but cigarettes."

"For three days my wife kept putting her supposed dope in my coffee and I kept smoking, continually remarking that it was strange that I no longer cared for a cigar, but could not smoke enough cigarettes."

"Finally she broke down and confessed what she had been doing. After frightening her by pretending that she had fixed the cigarette habit on me for life I compromised by my agreeing to give them up and she refrained from saying anything more about my smoking cigars."

"The agent that sold her the dope is going to call soon to get a recommendation from my wife. He'll get it. He'll get something else, too." — *Indianapolis Sentinel.*

#### PREMATURE BURIAL SIGNAL.

Device to Prevent the Possibility of Being Buried Alive.

The horror of being buried alive is one of worriment to many people long before death, and the stories frequently seen in the paper of cases of this kind cause one to shudder and wonder if it is not possible to prevent this. This thought has no doubt led

Walter J. McKnight of Buffalo, N. Y., to devise the electrically operated ap-

paratus.

DIED WITH HIS BOOTS ON.

"Cap" Hatfield, the Notorious Outlaw, Killed Twenty Men.

"Cap" Hatfield, the famous outlaw chief of the Hatfield clan that for years waged intermittent war against the McCoys, died with his boots on. His death was caused by bullet wounds received at the hands of a fellow workman with whom he fought in a West Virginia lumber camp. "Cap" Hatfield has probably killed more men deliberately than any other man in the United States. He has killed more than twenty men some in self-defense and others by stealth to satisfy the spirit of revenge. He was a desperado by heredity, his ancestors for generations having lived and died by the sword.

The feud between the Hatfields and McCoys started many years ago over the ownership of two hogs. Before the matter could be settled in the courts the two families were at each other

with knives and guns and many on

each side fell.

In 1882 a true, which lasted until 1891, was brought about by the influence of love. Anson Hatfield, a son of "devil Anse," fell in love with Mary McCoy. The lovers were fine young mountaineers, and their attachment conquered the hatred between the two families. There was a marriage at which every member on each

side attended, and where hands were clasped, and it was agreed to let the past bury the past.

In 1891 the feud broke out again, but was not very bitter until 1895, when "Cap" Hatfield killed John Rutherford and Henderson Chambers, two of the McCoy clan as the result of an election row. He served one year in a penitentiary for these murders and shortly after was released shot and killed David Kenny. He was arrested and put in jail, but escaped and nothing was heard of him until he confessed his identity after receiving his fatal wounds. He also stated that after his escape from jail he went to Cuba, where he remained for some time. Then he returned to West Virginia and found work in a lumber camp under an assumed name. The name of the man by whom he was really shot, is

not known.

Grant Allen's Sense of Justice.

The Post of Philadelphia is responsible for the following story of "Grant Allen's Sense of Justice." He had, it appears, written a paper upon insects and bugs and sent it to his publisher. In it he minutely described both the bad and good sides of his subjects.

Several days after he had dispatched

the manuscript he wrote to the publisher: "Return at once proofs of chapter on bugs. I have found out that I have done one of them injustice, I dreamt about him all one night, after I mailed the paper to you, and he looked at me with reproachful eyes and said I had made him out worse than he was. In looking up his history from a later source I have found out that he was right."

Grant Allen's Sense of Justice.

He had much asphalt.

Should one supply of asphalt at Trichon

be exhausted, according to an expert in the use of this material, a still greater bed which underlies a vast area

of ground near Fort Duchesne, Utah, may be drawn upon. The ground is

asphaltic, and the asphalt is

asphaltic.

Fruit Rept from Apples.

In the sixteenth century there was a

curious law in England, whereby street hawkers were forbidden to sell plums and apples, for the reason that servants and apprentices were unable to resist the sight of them and were, consequently, tempted to steal their employers' money in order to enjoy the costly delicacies.

Number of Persons in schools.

The entire number of pupils in all

American schools last year was 16,687,463. There are 104,058 in the universities and colleges, 51,231 in schools of law, medicine and theology, 67,538 in normal schools, 70,932 in business schools, 97,737 in kindergartens,

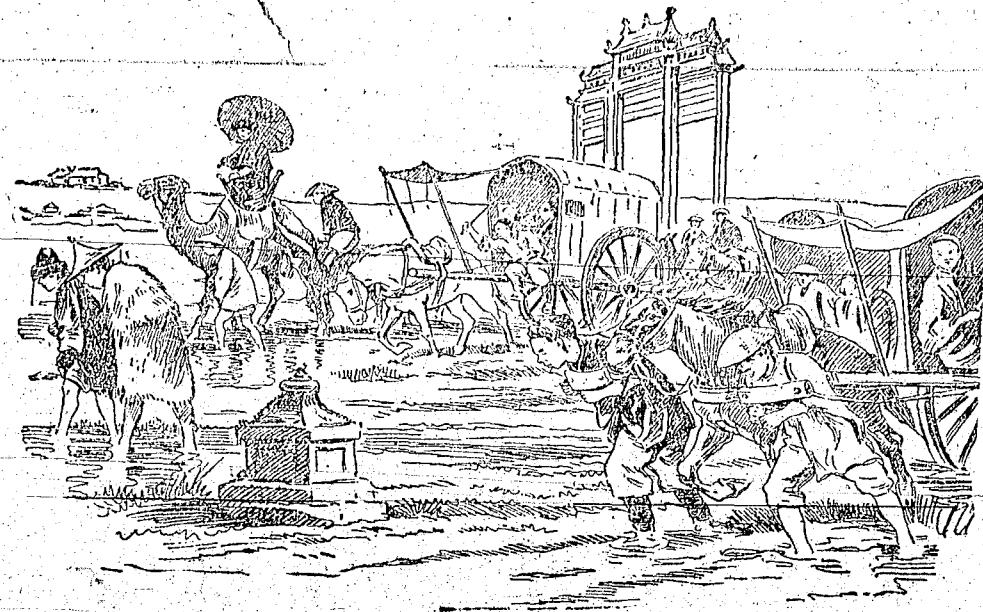
#### DECLINED A CROWN.

MANY HAVE DONE SO SINCE JULIUS CAESAR'S TIME.

one of the Persons Who Have Refused to receive a King's Throne.

## DIFFICULTIES OF A LAND JOURNEY IN CHINA.

The Overland Route Between Tien-tsin and Pekin, Over which the Alli'd Army Marched.



The country between Pekin and Tien-tsin overcome by the allied forces on their advance upon the capital, is in summer time a stretch of quagmire and mud. No traveler who has made the experience of a Pekin cart will ever desire to repeat the experiment. There is no such thing as a road as we understand it. It goes anywhere and everywhere, and it is only used by the inhabitants for travel between town and town for local traffic. The waterway, by canal and river, is the usual mode of travel. The ancestral tombs are scattered all over the country, and arches erected to the memory of great men dot the landscape. All sorts of carts, beasts of burden and foot travelers are the adjuncts to the scene. Note the nearer of the two foremost figures, who is clothed in a waterproof of oiled straw. Literally he is a "thatched man."

### TWO LOVERS.

Whose baby is loveliest?  
Mother's own,  
All round the world—north, south, east,  
west—  
Hers alone!  
For whether it be a Chinese tot,  
With eyes astant and a shaven crown,  
Or a dear little girl of the Land of the  
Free.  
Or a toddling Prince in London-town,  
Or the one rare treasure a Soudan slave.  
Hugs to her heart, all we and brown—  
Each in its mother's gentle pride  
Is fairer than all the world beside.  
Whose mother is loved the best?  
Baby's own.  
She whose cheek was first caressed—  
She alone.  
For whether she be an Eskimo,  
Or colored mammy, or stately queen,  
Or a wandering organ-grinder's wife,  
Jingling and beating her tambourine,  
In every land where children are.  
The baby eyes from their dole serene  
Gaze, capture-bound by the tender grace  
In the mother's bended, love-lit face.  
—Woman's Home Companion.

### At the Eleventh Hour.

"IT he's so old, papa," protested Barbara Bessinger.  
"A man should be several years  
the senior of his wife," declared Quintus Bessinger.  
"And he has a glass eye!"  
"One less with which to observe  
short-comings, my dear!"  
"And has false teeth."  
"So have I. Now, Barbara, be sensible,  
and think it over."  
Barbara thought it over, and decided  
that it being sensible meant marrying  
Giles Ferguson she must persist in being  
foolish. The next time her father  
returned to the charge he put his plea  
on personal grounds. His pathetic repre-  
sentation of his position was rather  
effective. The improvements in his  
office building had cost much more than  
he had fancied they would. An Eastern  
firm, on whose leniency he had relied,  
were pressing him for immediate payment  
of a heavy account. Ferguson had  
practically refused him further advances  
because Barbara had declined to marry him. He could find better use  
for his money than loaning it to the  
man whom he was anxious to accept as  
a father-in-law.

"I wouldn't urge you," concluded  
Bessinger, "if I thought you cared for  
any one else. There isn't any one else  
el., Barbara?"

Barbara was eighteen. She had a  
round, winsome form; a brunnette  
face full of life and sparkle, arch hazel  
eyes, and a lovely scarlet mouth.  
"No one else, papa!" There was no  
questioning the frank sincerity of the  
reply. "Give me two weeks' time to con-  
sider. Then—I'll say yes if I can—for  
your sake—you poor, dear old worried  
thing!"

Bessinger made the most of Barbara's  
concession. Ferguson was profoundly  
gratified. His one movable eye ex-  
pressed his happy anticipation.

"Tell her," said he, "that I have never  
married because my idea was so lofty.  
Never until I met Miss Barbara did I  
meet any woman possessing every per-  
fection."

"Tell her yourself," advised Quintus.

"Girls don't like to be courted through  
their parents!"

So Ferguson called every evening.  
His deliberate compliments and la-  
dishing glance set her wild with re-  
sentment. Two weeks' time? Why hadn't  
she said two months? Surely the hours  
were racing by. It seemed to her the  
days fairly galloped out of sight. Her  
father grew more haggard—more de-  
pressed. She used to catch him watching  
her furtively. Ferguson, would  
shake off remorse, would build up his  
business, would put his credit on a  
firm basis, if only— He had been a  
good father to her. She would prob-  
ably never fall in love anyway. Per-  
haps she ought to do as he wished.  
There she shuddered.

The fatal day of her decision arrived.  
A glorious day it was, crisp and  
golden, with a rollicking wind skir-  
mishing along State street, and playing  
pranks at the corner where towers the  
Mas-ome temple, just there it swirled  
a girl's skirt around her slender  
ankles and—not content with this am-  
bush—snatched off her veil and tilted  
it out of respect. But a tall man in a  
gray suit gave prompt pursuit. "Oh,  
thank you!" cried Barbara Bessinger,  
blushing, when he stood before her, bat-  
ting his hand, returning the traitor's smile.  
"You are very kind!"

A mournful dejection, a long-  
ing, eloquent look of admiration; a deep  
bow, and he was lost in the crowd.

Fortune in a Truck Farm.  
There are over 600 acres of Phila-  
delphia land under cultivation south

of exhalation. Some little ones at her  
gate offered her roses. She took the  
roses and kissed the children. She had  
never thought flowers and child faces so  
beautiful before. She found herself  
singing as she ran up stairs. She was  
startled by the loveliness of her own re-  
flection in the glass. "Why did she feel  
so happy, why—suddenly she seemed  
to see again the homage of those dash-  
ing blue eyes. No! She surely was not  
so silly as that! In delirious, girlish  
shame she pressed her slim fingers over  
her eyes to shut out those others. But,  
they would not be barred. They gazed  
into her still! All at once a dreadful thought  
thrilled her.

To-night Giles Ferguson would come  
for his answer!

A sharp sense of repulsion over-  
whelmed her. She could not marry  
him. She would not. She bathed,  
collected her dark hair afresh, went down  
to dinner in a gown of wavy lawn. At  
8 o'clock the hopeful suitor made his  
appearance. He wore a brand-new suit,  
and was apparently prepared for conquest.  
He and Bessinger talked.

At 10 Barbara was to give her final de-  
cision. She watched the clock in an  
agon of nervousness. Half past 8!  
The hands were moving around the dial  
with appalling speed: "Nine. She did  
not know the hell had rung—that she  
was shown in. He was young, tall,  
good-looking. With a start she recog-  
nized the agile captor of her veil.

"The small gentleman is Mr. Fergu-  
son," she heard the servant say.

Fish Preserved in Ice.  
State-Fish-and-Game Commissioner  
Johnson is one of the oldest cowboys  
in the State. He is an exceptionally  
entertaining talker and a man who in  
past years has been considered modest,  
truthful and kind to those easily in-  
duced to believe stories concerning the  
beasts of the field and the fishes of the  
sea.

But he has apparently changed. This  
morning he claims to have seen a man  
who saw a fish frozen in the ice in the  
perpetual glacier on the north side of  
Long's Peak.

"The original and only," said Jack.  
"Well, well," said Nobles, "I've often  
heard my father speak of you," and he  
grasped Hailey's hand cordially.  
There was an awkward pause. During  
which Warner chattered his mustache.  
Hailey looked dazed, and Nobles sim-  
ilarly.

"Your father!" stammered Hailey.  
"Why, Nobles was a single man in  
'77; I know, because we compared  
notes; and I read of his marriage about  
ten years later, when I was out in the  
mines, and sent my congratulations.  
Still," he continued, after another awk-  
ward pause, "Nobles always was a  
versatile fellow."

By this time it began to dawn on the  
gentle Jack that the "father" was  
a joke, and he joined in the laugh.

"By jingo!" said Hailey, "that was  
over twenty years ago. What have  
you done with the old 'Phoenix'?"

"Easily enough to a fish man. That  
fish has been frozen in the ice glacier  
there ever since the time of the flood,  
when all this land was inundated. That  
is the reason the find is an important  
one."—Denver Times.

Never Noticed It.  
A traveler in Corsica says that al-  
though Porto Vecchio is so ill-fated  
that one would like to dip it in the Medi-  
terranean for a thorough wash, it is won-  
derfully lovely at a distance. Its white  
granite houses with red-tiled roofs and  
fragments of old walls, with the blue  
sky above and make up as alluring a south-  
erner's memory. But do the southerns  
appreciate it? If one may judge by  
comparison—apparently not. Says a  
writer in Travel:

They do not seem a deeply intelli-  
gent folk on this coast. I stopped  
in a very hot part of the road to ask a  
man the name of a certain noble moun-  
tain peak inland, with veins of snow  
upon it.

"I do not know," said he, heavily.  
"Ah, then you do not live here?"

"But you were not brought up here?"

"Yes, I was born here."

"And you do not know the name of  
that very high mountain?"

He spoke conclusively. The most  
conspicuous object in his daily land-  
scape had, in his eyes, no significance  
whatever.

Preferences.

Business men who are accustomed to  
writing standing before a high desk will  
appreciate the following story:

Prof. Simon J. Brown, the astro-  
nomical director of the naval observatory  
at Washington was standing, as usual,  
before his desk, when a colleague came  
into his office.

"Lord, what an old fool I was!" he  
said. "Things are only as they ought  
to be! Bessinger and I are going into  
partnership. Together we will make  
the business pay. And Rob, would you  
have you any objection if I were to  
kiss the bride?"

"No, indeed!" replied the professor;  
it's different with me. I can't stand  
it."

"That's odd," replied the professor;  
it's different with me. I can't stand  
it."

"No, indeed!" echoed the bride sweet-  
ly, as she held up her glowing cheek.

The difference between raising boys  
and raising girls is that the mother of  
boys doesn't stop being scared to  
death when they have cut their teeth.

Fortune in a Truck Farm.

There are over 600 acres of Phila-  
delphia land under cultivation south

### CORSETS ARE WORN BY MEN.

Employed Frequently to Reduce Super-  
abundant Development.

There is an unfortunate tendency  
among middle-aged men of the present  
day to become—put it mildly—stout.  
An old man, if he is content to grow  
old gracefully and not try to counter-  
act a young man, can view his growing  
"corporation" with comparative  
indifference, but a man, say of 40 or  
45, can only "view with alarm" such  
an increase.

"I remember him when he was cap-  
tain of cavalry, and I recall very well  
when he got his majority. He was  
acting as assistant adjutant general on  
Gen. McCook's staff at Los Angeles  
and moved his headquarters to Denver.  
He served there until Lieut. Col.

Thos. Ward came down from Van-  
couver Barracks to fill the place, and  
shortly afterward Chaffee joined the  
Ninth cavalry as major.

"And they have pretty tight, too," he  
continued; "I know, for I help to lace

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### CROST THE WHEAT,

Come a-trippin' 'crost the wheat,  
Lookin' sweet, an' mighty sweet!  
My! but I wuz glad to meet  
Mary of the meadows!

Let the sheep fall at my feet;  
Heard my heart an' how it beat;  
Jest a-sayin': "Ain't she sweet—  
Mary of the meadows!"

Wild winds tossed her tresses sweet—  
Gleamin'—streamin' at her feet;  
Nothin' could the winds repeat  
But "Mary of the meadows!"

Yet, jest like a shaft o' light  
Quick she faded from my sight,  
An' the whole world sighed— "Good-night!"

To Mary o' the meadows!  
—F. L. Stanton, in the Atlanta Constitution.

### The Tragedy of Room 12.

By Prof. James Rameretz.

In the winter of 1893, while traveling on business connected with the paper I represented, I put up at the hotel in Chicago, which had been recommended to me by the journalistic fraternity for its comfortable beds, substantial meals, and best of all, its moderate prices.

I was assigned to Room 14, a neatly furnished apartment that had two doors, one of which opened into the hall, while the other (which I found on examination to be tightly locked, communicated with the adjoining chamber.

The connecting room bore the ominous and much dreaded number 13, and I was informed by the loquacious porter that it had been unoccupied for a long time in consequence.

On the second night of my arrival, when, after a hard but profitable day's work, I reached the hotel, I found a new guest had registered during my absence who seemed to possess so little of superstitious fear that he had taken the much shunned Room 13.

The newcomer was a singular looking man, dressed in a funeral-like suit of deepest black, and with a clean shaven face, the almost deathly white pallor of which formed a marked contrast to his eyes, that were dark as stormy summer-midnight skies and as full of their thrilling electrical gleams.

When a little later I went up to my room, I met the porter on the way bringing up the new guest's luggage.

It consisted of a small valise and a long, deep, coffin-shaped box, made of highly polished ebony wood.

As I watched this strange-looking box carried into the room, bearing the fatal number so much feared by the superstitions, a strange sense of impending evil which I could not well define took possession of me, and although I was not much given to curiosities, I could not help wondering what the coffin-like looking receptacle contained and why the stranger seemed so anxious, it should be handled with the utmost care.

But wearied with my day's exertions I managed at last to dismiss both man and box from my mind, and after extinguishing the gas, and retiring was soon in a sound sleep.

I had slept scarcely an hour (I found by consulting my watch) when I was aroused by the sound of voices in the adjoining room.

One of them was a man's voice, harsh and angry, while the other seemed to be that of a woman, shrill and pleading.

My first thought on awakening was that I was still dreaming, knowing as I did that it was a strict rule of the house to let rooms to men only.

But, as I became more thoroughly awake and listened intently, I was convinced that it was unmistakably a woman's voice I heard.

"How had she obtained entrance to the new-comer's room? How had he managed to smuggle her in there?" I asked myself, while again I wondered what the strange coffin-like box contained I had noticed among his luggage.

To further satisfy myself that I was really awake, I arose from my bed and steadily creeping to the door of the adjoining room applied my eye to the keyhole that the new-comer had not taken the precaution to plug up on his side.

As I did so I started back in astonishment too great for my words to describe.

For looking through it, I distinctly beheld a woman seated on the one chair near the foot of the bed, a woman who was so wonderfully fair to look upon that she seemed more like some artist's or poet's vision of the unearthly beautiful than a flesh and blood creation.

She wore a robe of deepest blue, matching in hue her eyes that swept in billowy sea-like waves about her, while amid the foam-like laces at her bosom sparkled a cluster of star-shaped diamonds.

At her feet rested the strange coffin-shaped box with its lid now thrown back, and I had just time to notice this, and take in the details of her face, form and dress, when I heard the new-comer, who stood close beside her, his hand roughly resting on her shoulder, exclaim in the same harsh, angry tones that had awakened me:

"It is useless Marlie for you to beg for mercy. Your guilty life must pay the forfeit for your sin. Like your sweethearts you—"

"Oh, Jules!" she went on, "I am innocent, I swear it!"

"Enough, his eyes gleamed upon her like those of some wild beast, about to spring upon its prey.

"I wonder at it," he sneeringly continued, "after all I have seen and heard that you dare talk of innocence and beg for forgiveness.

Then, after a moment's silence, he savagely shouted:

"Forgive you? By heaven, no?"  
Pray, pray, while you have yet time,  
For in one minute more your guilty soul will be hurled into eternity.

The next instant, while too paralyzed for the time with horror to speak, I continued kneeling there at the door looking and listening, I saw the new-comer draw a long knife that he had concealed somewhere about his person, and then, while he uttered a demonical cry of rage, catch the woman by the throat and plunge the gleaming blade up to the hilt in her breast.

As he did so a wild scream of terror broke from the woman's lips, that died away in muffled choking gasps as the tightly gripping hand and sharp weapon did their cruel, deadly work.

The sound of her dying cries broke the spell of horror that had held me helpless for the time.

And with a loudest cry of "murder! murder!" that might have waked the dead, I dashed madly out into the hall.

In a moment, that seemed like an age to me, the landlady came dashing up the stairs.

Her appearance was followed by a scene of wildest confusion, as all the guests and servants came rushing in all stages of undress from their rooms to inquire the cause of the commotion.

Among the former came the occupant of Room 13, who was still fully dressed in his funeral-like suit of deepest black, and whose face it seemed to me were even still more deathly pale.

As I caught sight of him, with charter teeth I pointed in his direction and gasped:

"The murderer! Don't let him escape; the woman he killed is in life room."

"The woman!" echoed mine host, with a look of indescribable amazement on his round, florid face.

By this time as many of us as could enter had all crowded into Room 13.

The woman, whose death cries I had heard through the keyhole, was no where to be seen.

But the coffin-shaped box, with its lid now closed, was standing still at the foot of the bed.

As I caught sight of it, with trembling limbs and voice, I exclaimed:

"Gentlemen, you will find his victim, the woman he has murdered is in that box."

"Yes, gentlemen, you will," answered the newcomer with an air of deepest resignation as one prepared to meet his doom.

Even at that terrible moment I could not help but admire the man's coolness and courageous demeanor.

My host was the first to raise the lid of the box.

As he did so, and peered down into it, a loudest laugh broke from his lips.

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